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TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
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Dear Dr.

Some two years ago Mr. W. W. Denslow of Inwood, sent me a package of plants, which contained ten (10) California species, collected by the late Thomas Bridges, for Smithsonian Institute. They were without names, and numbered. In putting them in my herbarium a few days ago I found a ticket from Mr. Denslow saying "Send to Dr. Torrey for names. Send to me if I am alive in the Spring" I expect Mr. Denslow died about that time from consumption. He was a fine botanical correspondent. The numbers on the labels are as follows. 33 52, a Ceanothus, 64 Lupinus, 57 a Lupinus, 84, 92, 221, 232, 277, and 282. If you can give me the names of these I will be greatly obliged.

I sent Mr. Denslow a package of Nevada plants numbered from 1 to 60 collected by Col. Lee. He (Denslow) sent names for about 1/3 of them. Those numbered 24, 32, 33, 36, and 40 he said he would go over with you. But I presume he died before he got at it. If he did submit these five plants to you for determination, I would be very glad to get the names of them. I also sent him 75 collected in Cal. by the same person, of which he sent no names at all.

I have a little grass from the western regions named
Munroa squarrosa. What Genus is it next
in affinity? I do not find it in Lindley's Veg. Kingdom
I stop to look into my volumes of the Pacific R. R. Explor.
of which I have a full set, 13 volumes. I have found
it. Page 158, 4th vol. Belongs to the Hordeaceal
I give much attention to the Carices, and have a
full set of Boott's Illustrations, 4 vols. I have
about 300 species. But I have not got the
following, named in the 4th vol. of P. R. R. Expl.
Carex decidua, Boott. C. laeviculmis Boott C. Halapensis
Kunth, C. Vesicaria, L. and C. Prosperginea Tees, et Mey.
My herbarium grows slowly. I have only about
6000 species, and been working at it over a dozen
years. I have but very few plants west of the
Miss. River, and only about 1600 from Europe.
I would be wonderful thankful for any favors
you might bestow upon me in the matter of
specimens from any quarter in the south,
or trans-Mississippi region, or from foreign
countries. I am all the while at work in
natural science, my means allowing it. Any work
of a botanical nature you can give me to do,
either with or without, the microscope, would be
very willingly undertaken, and gratuitously.
I send for a carte in this, and kindly hope you
will send me yours. I am Yours Truly
S. N. Wright

P. S. Recently I found in Stockton Cal. Botrychium Virginianum
on sick list. Gathered in Yolo Co. I found 3 species
Alaska & Nevada. Gathered in Yolo Co. I found 3 species
plants accordingly & sent Asa Gray & Sereno Watson of Cambridge Mass.